# STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2014-0048

APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE SACRAMENTO RIVER AND SAN JOAQUIN RIVER BASINS TO EDIT AND UPDATE LANGUAGE

## WHEREAS:

- On March 27, 2014, the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) adopted Resolution <u>R5-2014-0037</u> amending the Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basins to edit and update language.
- 2. Central Valley Water Board staff prepared documents and followed procedures satisfying State laws and regulations.
- 3. The State Water Board finds that these amendments will not result in direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, and is thus not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). (Cal Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15378, subd. (a). In addition, these amendments are not a "project" within the meaning of CEQA because they are an "organizational or administrative activit[y] of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment." (Cal Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15378, subd. (b)(5).) Finally, if these amendments are determined to be subject to CEQA, they are exempt therefrom because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that these amendments will have a significant effect on the environment. (Cal Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15061, subd. (b)(3).)
- 4. The State Water Board finds that the Basin Plan amendments are in conformance with Water Code section 13240, which specifies that the Regional Water Quality Control Board may revise basin plans.
- 5. Non-regulatory Basin Plan amendments do not become effective until approved by the State Water Board and until the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) has concurred on its non-regulatory status.

# THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

#### The State Water Board:

1. Approves the amendments to the Basin Plan as adopted under Central Valley Water Board Resolution R5-2014-0037.

2. Authorizes the Executive Director or designee to submit the amendments adopted under Central Valley Water Board Resolution R5-2014-0037 to OAL for concurrence on its non-regulatory status and to U. S. Environmental Protection Agency for informational purposes.

## **CERTIFICATION**

The undersigned Clerk to the Board does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on September 9, 2014.

AYE: Chair Felicia Marcus

Vice Chair Frances Spivy-Weber Board Member Tam M. Doduc Board Member Steven Moore Board Member Dorene D'Adamo

NAY: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

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